

REMARKS

The rejection of Claims 1-2, 4, 7-10, 17-18 and 21 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over DE2851832 (Henkel), is respectfully traversed.

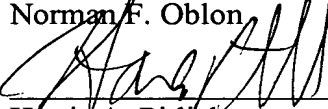
Henkel discloses foam inhibitors according to a formula I therein, and having use in washing detergents. However, as apparently recognized by the Examiner in the indication of allowability of Claim 19, Henkel neither discloses nor suggests their foam inhibitor for use in papermaking processes.

For all the above reasons, it is respectfully requested that the rejection over Henkel be withdrawn.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's indication of allowability of the subject matter of Claims 3, 5, 6 and 19-20. All the present claims are now limited to the allowable subject matter, including a method of papermaking. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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